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WITH THE AID OF A PARTICULATE MATERIAL

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action dated August 31, 2001 from October 31, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

A check for the statutory fee of \$400.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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